

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 19 November 1963		2. LOCATION Mt. Dora, Florida		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Unreliable Report</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>19/0720Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 1/2 Minute		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE S	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Stretched oval with bright white color having yellowish, reddish tinge. Also observed at 19/2100Z. Only dimmer. 19/0720, pairs in echelon. 19/2100Z 4 in trail. High speeds and instantaneous turns. Observers feels not a/c came out of south made 45 deg turn and climbed straight up.				11. COMMENTS Unreliable report. Apparently distortion of balloon or a/c sighting with inversion contributing to appearance.	



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ACTION: NIN-9

INFO: SAF-OS-3, XOP-1, XOPX-4, DIA-25, DIA-CIIC-2, (45)

SMB A096

ZCZCHQB036ZCVJ B648

RR RUEAHQ

DE RUCQAQ 9 23/0353Z

ZNR

R 222043Z

FM 306 BOMB WG MCCOY AFB FLA

TO RUWGALE/ADC

RUEAKN/AIRDIVPROV 26 STEWART AFB NY

RUCDAQ/AFSC

RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASH DC

RUEAHQ/OSAF WASH DC

RUCSBR/SAC

RUEADH/8AF WESTOVER AFB MASS

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UNCLAS DCOI 63-084. UFO. (AFCIN) (SAFOI) (DIC)

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT(S).

(1) STRETCHED OVAL

(2) DIME

(3) 19/0720Z BRIGHT WHITE WITH YELLOW REDDISH TINGE.

19/2100Z SAME AS EARLIER ONLY DIM.

(4) 4

(5) 19/0720Z PAIRS IN ECHELON. 19/2100Z 4 IN TRAIL.

(6) HIGH SPEEDS AND INSTANTANEOUS TURN. CONVINCED

OBSERVER OBJECTS WERE NOT NORMAL AIRCRAFT.



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(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT (S):

(1) JUST HAPPEN TO LOOK IN SKY.

(2) 45 DEGREES FROM HORIZONTAL.

(3) OVER HEAD.

(4) CAME RAPIDLY OUT OF SOUTH MADE ONE INSTANTANEOUS 45  
DEGREE TURN AND CLIMBED STRAIGHT UP.

(5) DIMINISHED IN SIZE AND DISAPPEARED.

(6) 1 1/2 MINUTE.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) NONE

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) 19/0720Z AND 19/2100Z

(2) DARK NIGHT AND DAY

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER(S):

ON ROUTE 4412 NAUTICAL MILES SOUTH OF MT DORA, FLORIDA.



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F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER(S):

(1) [REDACTED] JR, AGE 20 MAILING ADDRESS - [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], ORLANDO, FLA. UNEMPLOYED - JUST OUT  
OF THE MARINES. WAS ONCE CAP GROUND OBSERVER.

(2) N/A

G. WEATHER AND WINDS, ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE  
OF SIGHTING:

(1) CLEAR

(2) 19/0156Z 19/2055Z

SURFACE	018/2K	CALM
5M	110/20	110/25
10M	080/20	070/18
15M	240/10	300/20
20M	320/25	280/20
30M	320/35	280/25
50M	290/35	270/40
80M	270/28	290/18

(3) NONE

(4) 10 NAUTICAL MILES

(5) .3 AND .4

(6) NONE



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0-1000 SURFACE INVERSION -2 DEGREES C FROM NORMAL

1000-900 -5 DEGREES FROM NORMAL

900-880 SUBSIDENCE INVERSION -7 DEGREES

880-650 -9 DEGREES

650-620 INVERSION -12.5 DEGREES

620-TROPO -12

19/2100 - SAME AS 0720 EXCEPT NO SURFACE INVERSION

H. NONE

I. NONE

J. NONE

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AFB STATED THAT WITH THE DOUBLE INVERSION BALLOONS RELEASED FROM NEAR BY STATIONS COULD POSSIBLY HAVE PRODUCED MULTIPLE ILLUSIONS BUT THAT CONSIDERING WINDS AND THE FACT OF TWO DIFFERENT SIGHTINGS, THIS WOULD NOT BE LIKELY. THERE WERE NO AIRCRAFT FROM MCCOY OR SANFORD NAVAL AIR STATION IN THAT PARTICULAR AREA AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING. NOTHING UNUSUAL WAS DETECTED BY AC&W OR APPROACH CONTROLS AT THE TIME OF SIGHTINGS. OBSERVER IN QUESTIONING SEEMED RELIABLE



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HOWEVER ON EARLIER CALL TO HIS FAMILY HOME ELICITED THE  
COMMENT THAT "HE IS SEEING THINGS AGAIN." NO LOGICAL  
EXPLANATION OF ACTUAL OBJECTS IN THE AREA CAN BE MADE BY  
PREPARING OFFICER.

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NOTE: ADVANCE COPIES TO DIA AND NIN.